



USDA, AMS, Poultry Market News

Weekly Egg Products Report

July 23, 2004

The "SOURCE" of Poultry and Egg Market Information

COMBINED REGIONAL REPORT - Combined regional for week ending **23-Jul-04** average prices on Sales to volume buyers, Grade A large, white eggs in cartons, delivered warehouse, cents per dozen.

	Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Combined Regional
This week	60.00	56.50	54.50	60.50	57.99
Last week	60.00	56.50	54.50	60.50	57.99

SELECTED CITIES DELIVERED STORE DOOR LARGE - 23-Jul-04:

New York 70-74 **Chicago & Midwest** 56-64 **California** 91

WEEKLY SHELL EGG AND BREAKING STOCK INVENTORY - 19-Jul-04 - (30 DOZEN CASES - IN THOUSANDS)

	Northeast	North Central	South Central	South Atlantic	Pacific	5-Area	Breaking Stock	Total
Current week	130.8	283.9	123.1	202.2	194.6	934.6	273.7	1208.3
% change PW	4	-12	-6	-6	0	-5	3	-4

Breaking Stock **23-Jul-04** - prices paid cents/dozen, material exchanged, 30-dozen case equivalent, 48 lb minimum, delivered to breakers.

	Central States		Eastern Region	
Nest Run	39-41	M 41	37-41	M 39-41
Checks & Undergrades	26-32	M 26-28	25-31	M 26-30

Eggs Processed under federal inspection week ending **17-Jul-04**.

Pounds in Thousands (excludes ingredients)

	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CURRENT WEEK	1,255,737	30,191	11,732	6,115	3,207	4,285
PREVIOUS WEEK	1,219,174	29,380	12,065	6,202	3,280	4,029
LAST YEAR	1,227,765	29,053	11,792	5,956	2,847	4,190
% CHANGE PWK	3	3	-3	-1	-2	6
% CHANGE LY	2	4	-1	3	13	2
TO-DATE 2004	34,006,673	805,712	327,596	180,110	77,995	116,662
TO-DATE 2003	31,946,302	778,850	291,891	159,962	64,770	116,021
% CHANGE YTD	6	3	12	13	20	1

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE (INEDIBLE INCLUDED)

Current Week: 41.67 **Previous Week:** 42.39 **Last Year:** 41.53

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE (INEDIBLE EXCLUDED)

Current Week: 38.26 **Previous Week:** 39.08 **Last Year:** 38.12

National Liquid Eggs - 23-Jul-04 - prices paid cents/lb, f.o.b. plant, non-pasteurized trucklots, for delivery within 14 days.

Class	Loads	Range	Wtd. Avg.	Change From Last Week
WHOLE	8	39-42.5	40.63	1.38
WHITES	19	45.5-48	46.87	.04
YOLKS	7	48-49	48.71	-.09

Pasteurized salt yolk reported from 45 to 48 cents fob with no pasteurized whites reported.

Frozen Egg Prices - 23-Jul-04 wholesale selling price cents/lb, 30-lb containers.

Class	Trucklot				Less-than-Trucklot (min 25 cont.)			
	Eastern		Central		Eastern		South California ²	
Whole	48-56	M	49-55	49-52 M	49-51	56-60	55-58	
Blends ³	TOO FEW	TO	REPORT			68-85	-	
Whites	58-66	M	60-64	60-64 M	60	67-72	67-70	
Yolks ⁴								
Sugared	57-63	M	60-63	59-63 M	61-62	66-70	66-69	
Salted	55-60	M	57-59	57-59		63-69	64-67	

² f.o.b. shipping point

³ whole plus yolk plus sweetener, generally 28-32% egg solids

⁴ minimum 43% solids

National Dried Egg Prices - 23-Jul-04 - wholesale selling prices \$/lb, in containers, trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes.

Class	Range	Mostly
WHOLE	1.97-2.30	2.05-2.17
YOLKS	1.40-1.60	1.45-1.50
ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED	4.49-5.35	4.70-5.00
BLENDS (WHOLE PLUS SWEETENER)	1.60-1.85	1.60-1.70

Number of Light Hens Sltrd. in Federally Inspected Plants (Thousands) Weekending 17-Jul-2004

Fowl Slaughtered in U.S.		U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in Canada		Total U.S. Fowl Slaughtered	
This week	1,614	This week	301	This week	1,915
Last week	1,361	Last week	215	Last week	1,576
Last year	1,141	Last year	366	Last year	1,507
To Date 2004	37,672	To Date 2004	6,663	To Date 2004	44,335
To Date 2003	45,002	To Date 2003	7,323	To Date 2003	52,325

Inspected Egg Products

U.S. Exports To Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 10-Jul-04

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	453	0	0	453
Last year /1	198	33	0	231
To date 2004/2	6,629	11	394	7,034
To date 2003	8,522	96	270	8,888

U.S. Imports From Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 10-Jul-04

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	286	50	80	416
Last year /1	112	46	0	158
To date 2004/2	3,306	949	1,647	5,902
To date 2003	2,879	1,559	800	5,238

Inspected Shell Eggs

U.S. Exports To Canada, in 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary) week ending - 10-Jul-04

	Jumbo	EX-Lg	Large	Medium	Ungraded	Misc	Total
Current week	50	1,150	5,970	2,586	1,440	780	11,976
Last year /1	0	950	3,410	1,770	3,600	0	9,730
To date 2004/2	272	60,355	131,439	52,265	169,644	14,724	428,699
To date 2003	256	11,957	52,986	32,632	46,566	3,432	147,829

/1 Comparable week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.

/2 Includes revisions to previous week(s).

National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) - Cold Storage - stocks in all warehouses on 30-Jun-04

	Frozen Eggs (Thousand pounds)				
	Whites	Yolks	Whole & Mixed	Unclassified	Total
Current Month	2,764	1,099	10,967	3,601	18,431
Previous Month	2,717	1,143	12,517	4,177	20,554
Last year	2,659	897	10,725	3,670	17,951
% of Previous Month	102	96	88	86	90
% of Last Year	104	123	102	98	103

PURCHASE AND OFFER TO BUY: WHOLE EGGS

DATE: July 21, 2004

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) today purchased 2,288,000 pounds of whole eggs -- to be produced from about 57,000 cases of shell eggs -- at a cost of approximately \$1,225,000 for school lunch and other domestic food nutrition assistance programs. Details of today's purchase follow:

Product	Pounds	Awarded Prices	No. of Bids
		Inv. No. 3	Accepted
5-pound cartons	560,000	\$0.5448-0.6502	2 of 4
bulk tankers	1,728,000	\$0.5059-0.5299	2 of 4

Next offers under Announcement PY-284 are due by 12 noon, Central Time, on the following date:

Inv. Number	Product Type	Offer Date	Acceptance	Delivery Period
			Not Later Than Date	
5	5-pound cartons and bulk tankers	August 2	August 6	Sept. 16-30

Total purchases of whole eggs since the program was announced on May 19 follow:

Product	Cumulative Pounds	Cumulative Dollars
5-pound cartons	1,921,000	\$ 1,174,000
bulk tankers	3,120,000	\$ 1,603,000
30-pound containers	317,000	\$ 178,000

The awards for whole eggs made today under Announcement PY-284, Invitation 4, to be delivered from Sept. 1 to Sept. 15, follow:

5-pound Cartons

Crystal Lake Egg Products	120,060 @ \$0.6402-0.6502
Sonstegard Foods Company	440,220 @ \$0.5448-0.6198

Bulk Tankers

Deb-El Foods Corp.	480,000 @ \$0.5059
Sonstegard Foods Company	1,248,000 @ \$0.5199-0.5299

In addition, on July 16, the following award was made under the Small Business Administration's 8(a) program:

Bulk Tankers

Silver Wolf Enterprises	80,040 @ \$0.5793-0.5799
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